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**DWR ANNOUNCES TECHNICAL ADVISORY PANEL MEETING  
ON AB 303 LOCAL GROUNDWATER ASSISTANCE ACT  
GRANT AWARD RECOMMENDATIONS**

SACRAMENTO - Department of Water Resources officials announce that the Technical Advisory Panel on Assembly Bill 303 will meet on April 2, 2003. AB 303 requires that grants under the Local Groundwater Management Assistance program be based on recommendations of a Technical Advisory Panel.

The meeting is open to the public and will be held from 9:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. and resume with a public comment period at 2:00 p.m. at the Bonderson Building First Floor Hearing Room, 901 P Street, Sacramento.

In addition to the public comment period, comments may also be sent by e-mail to Harley H. Davis at [harley@water.ca.gov](mailto:harley@water.ca.gov) or Ralph Svetich at [rsvetich@water.ca.gov](mailto:rsvetich@water.ca.gov) or mailed to Post Office Box 942836, Sacramento, California 94236-0001.

For fiscal year 2002-03, grants totaling \$5 million are expected to be awarded by June 2003. DWR preliminary ranking of projects will be available at <http://www.dpla2.water.ca.gov/grants-loans/ab303/>. Evaluation information and proposals will be available for viewing from 8:00-9:30 a.m. and 12:30-2:00 p.m. at the meeting location.

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